

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1879.

Announcements
Academy of Music—Opera—Festivals—Concerts.
Ames' Opera House—Plaza—Matinee.
Broadway Opera House—Plaza—Matinee.
Daly's Theatre—Wise—Matinee.
Edith Avenue—Locust—Sixty-eighth Street—Matinee.
Grand Opera House—Broadway—Matinee.
Haverly's Theatre—Fourteenth Street—Matinee.
Lyceum—Twenty-third Street—Matinee.
New York Opera—Broadway—Matinee.
New York Circus—Twenty-first Street—Matinee.
Admiral's Theatre—Twenty-second Street—Matinee.
Grand Opera House—Broadway—Matinee.
Haverly's Theatre—Fourteenth Street—Matinee.
Tony Pastor's Theatre—Vesper.
Cabaret Square—Twenty-first Street—Matinee.
Wallace's Theatre—Sixty-eighth Street—Matinee.

How the Money Goes.

The people at Washington who annually dispose of the public funds have made up their estimates for the next fiscal year, and ask Congress for \$150,347,123. That is the cost, as they compute, of running the Government for the next twelve months.

Of this sum the Indians sum the army, with the arsenals and coastwise forts, absorb nearly thirty-one millions; the navy, fourteen and a half; pensions, nearly thirty-two and a half—an aggregate of \$77,889,942 for these three items, or over five-sixths of and nearly three-fifths of the entire amount called for.

No wonder that these three subjects occupy a prominent place in any effective discussion of retrenchment.

We find more than a million set down for foreign intercourse, which is a million poured through a sieve. Five millions are asked for the Indians—which few would grudge if the Indians got the five millions—and over two millions more for the rest of Mr. Schenck's department. The collection of the internal revenue is to cost upward of four millions.

Erving Brother Kerr estimates that his postal business will expend about seven and three-quarters millions more than it earns. Five millions are asked for river and harbor improvements, which, as lobbed and log-rolled through Congress nowadays, are a public scandal; while two and a half millions additional are asked for miscellaneous public works, and about three millions are for Government buildings alone.

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Mr. Blaine's Divisions.

The past few days must have afforded considerable amusement to the Hon. James G. Blaine, whose sense of humor is at least equal to that of any other gentleman now in politics.

Augusta is a particularly dreary place in the opening month of winter. In the interval between the State election and the meeting of Congress, Mr. Blaine's busy mind no doubt felt the need of other occupation than that afforded by local society. To fill the void, a conspiracy was therefore organized—not in the Republican party, but among the chief Democrats in office, and the Rev. Dr. Loomis's case, a so-called religious paper said, that "the idea of getting two or three sermons every week is too much for many ministers." That is a lamentable confession, indicating how much poor timber there is in the pulpit. If any one will take a column of a newspaper, and uttering it with the measured delivery of the pulpit, with its pauses and repetitions, he will see about how much writing goes to the average sermon. It also, he will note the amount of padding that the average sermon permits, especially with pompous diction and flourishes, and then reflect that there are six days in which to produce two sermons, will calculate that a preacher who cannot turn out even a pair of them is not fit for his pulpit. The real trouble is that some clergymen are so preoccupied with platform lecturing or scribbling for so-called religious newspapers or with society meetings or with finance, or with some of the time that they had for their pulpit business.

CHANDLER, to whose audacity, money, and vigor they are indebted for the fraud that now occupies the White House. Each of them has his candidate, and is possessed with the idea that if his man should be chosen a great point would be gained toward his own nomination for President.

In 1876 HAYES urged the appointment of Judge NOYES, now Minister at Paris, for Chairman; but the Committee ignored that suggestion, and Mr. CHANDLER was chosen because a "strong man" was wanted for any possible emergency that might occur. Naturally enough, Mr. CONKLING now desires that one of his personal staff should hold this position. Mr. CORNELL is a member of the Committee, and is said to be disinclined to resign from it. He does not deem the office of Governor of this great State incompatible with that of a managing politician. Yet Gen. ARTHUR, Chairman of the State Committee, who conducted the recent campaign, desires promotion, and perhaps thinks that Mr. CORNELL ought not to stand in his way.

Mr. BLAINE has two strings to his bow. He would be content with either WILLIAM E. SHERMAN or the Hon. DIXON McCORMICK, Mr. SHERMAN, more discreet and scheming than the others, keeps in the background, and is quietly manipulating the cheap members of the Committee, who believe that a bird in hand is worth two in the bush. Those from the South, appointed nearly four years ago, represented no constituents, and some of them will hardly put in an appearance. JOHN J. PATTERSON was then a Fraudulent Senator from South Carolina, but he seems to have disappeared from active politics, and certainly does not live in South Carolina.

FINCHBACK is the member from Louisiana, and HARALDSON, the black ex-Confederate from Alabama, stands for the anti-Republican State.

Except KROON of North Carolina, it would be difficult to find the members from the other cotton States with a search warrant. But JOHN SHERMAN, who invented ELIZA PRICKSTON as a martyr, and ANGUS JENKS as a scoundrel, will disown himself to answer the call of a thousand and a half pensions additional are asked for miscellaneous public works, and about three millions are for Government buildings alone.

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